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SUBJECT: USSR REQUEST FOR JOINT CIRCULATION OF NIXON-
BREZHNEV NUCLEAR WAR AGREEMENT AND JOINT
COMMUNIQUE

REF: USUN 2427

1. YOU SHOULD INFORM SOVIETS THAT WE ARE WILLING TO JOIN
THEM IN CIRCULATING NIXON-BREZHNEV JOINT COMMUNIQUE BUT
WOULD PREFER NOT TO DO SO IN CASE OF NUCLEAR WAR AGREEMENT.

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WE WOULD HAVE NO OBJECTION, HOWEVER, IF THEY DID SO

UNILATERALLY.

2. IN EXPLANATION, YOU SHOULD FOCUS ON ARGUMENT THAT WE WOULD NOT WANT CONTRAST MADE WITH 1972 SUMMIT WHEN WE DID NOT SUBMIT AGREEMENTS, ESPECIALLY THOSE MADE AT SALT. IN THIS CONNECTION, YOU SHOULD RECALL MEXICAN EFFORT LAST FALL TO CIRCULATE SALT AGREEMENTS WHICH WE BOTH SOUGHT TO DISCOURAGE. WE WOULD NOT WANT ACTION ON NUCLEAR WAR AGREEMENT TO COME BACK TO HAUNT US WHEN MEXICANS OR OTHERS ASK FOR CIRCULATION OF NEXT SALT AGREEMENT AS UN DOCUMENT. CIRCULATION ALSO MIGHT INVITE UNWANTED COMMENT IN INTERNATIONAL FORUMS.

3. YOU MIGHT POINT OUT WE AGREE ON IMPORTANCE OF NUCLEAR WAR AGREEMENT FOR UN COMMUNITY AND CONTEMPLATE REGISTERING THIS AGREEMENT AND ONE ON SALT PRINCIPLES WITH UN UNDER ARTICLE 102 OF CHARTER JUST AS WE DID IN CASE OF PREVIOUS SALT AGREEMENTS. ROGERS

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